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#### DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE AND CONSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT PUBLICATION OF EXPLANATORY SUMMARY OF THE PREVENTION AND COMBATING OF TORTURE BILL, 2012

1. Notice is hereby given in terms of Rule 241(1)(b) of the Rules of the National Assembly that the Minister of Justice and Constitutional Development intends to introduce the Prevention and Combating of Torture Bill, 2012, in the National Assembly shortly.

2. The explanatory summary of the Bill is hereby published in accordance with Rule 241(1)(c) of the Rules of the National Assembly.

The Bill intends to give effect to the Republic's obligations in terms of the United Nations Convention Against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment; to provide for the offence of torture of persons and other offences associated with the torture of persons; and to prevent and combat the torture of persons within or across the borders of the Republic; and to provide for matters connected therewith.

3. A copy of the Bill can be found on the websites of the Department and Parliamentary Monitoring Group at <http://www.doj.gov.za> and <http://www.pmg.org.za> and, after introduction, may also be obtained from: Government Printers: Cape Town (Telephone number: (021) 465-7531).